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## News from District Three

### PUBLIC MEETING HELD FOR KY 90 AT BARREN COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL

Over 250 residents of Glasgow and Barren County attended the public meeting for KY 90 held at the Barren County Middle School Cafeteria on November 22. The three-hour meeting provided residents an opportunity to review the preferred alignment and make comments concerning the project. The project involves the reconstruction (widen, reduce curves and add passing lanes where feasible) of KY 90 east of Glasgow from the Louie B. Nunn Parkway to the Metcalfe County line.

Representatives from the Transportation Cabinet as well as American Engineers and Palmer Engineering were on hand to answer questions about the project.

Several people expressed concern regarding the progress of the road. "We need KY 90 reconstructed today," stated Carl Dickerson. Dickerson continued, "I drive that road every day to work and there needs to be some improvements made to accommodate the amount of traffic on the road combined with commercial vehicles." Rose Mary Byrd hand delivered a petition with 318 signatures and said there would be more to come later. "It's so important that KY 90 receive these improvements. The road impacts many people on a daily basis," said Byrd.

Preliminary plans have been completed for the 10.5-mile project. "We will start Phase II design at this time," stated Kenneth Cox, Branch Manager for Design. Cox continued, "This will involve several items such as developing traffic control plans, preparing right of way plans, and performing geotechnical work to establish cut and fill slopes. Right of way plans will take about a year to finish. Once those are complete, we can begin



the process to purchase right of way. That will take anywhere from 12 to 18 months."

Funding for right of way acquisition is only available for the first priority section of KY 90. For better fiscal management the project was split into three sections. The first section is from the Nunn Parkway to KY 2198. The second section runs from KY 2198 to KY 839 and the last section is from KY 839 to the Metcalfe County line. At this time there are no funds available for right of way for priority sections two and three. None of the three sections have utility or construction funds scheduled at this time.



**Christmas Spirit**—Mike Harlow, David Depp, Sue Bell, David Blakley, Bonnie Poore, Dixie Renfro, and Kim Wylie, from the Barren Co. crew and Keith Mueller, Paul Kelley, Allen Charlton, Kim Grace and Bobby Mayes from the Simpson Co. crew participated in local Christmas parades. Simpson Co. crew's float took second place for their Santa's workshop theme. Employees from the District 3 office donated Christmas gifts for ten children as part of the Salvation army angel tree charity.